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[HOUSE FILE No. 63.—JUDICIARY.]

A BILL

FOR AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE COURT TO LIMIT ATTORNEYS IN ARGUMENTS TO THE COURT AND JURY, AND REPEAL SECTION 2783, OF THE CODE OF 1873, AND TO ENACT A SUBSTITUTE THEREFOR.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. That section 2783, chapter 9, title 17 of the Code of 1873, be and the same is hereby repealed, and the following is enacted in lieu thereof.

Sec. 2783. The court may in its discretion restrict and limit the time of any attorney in any argument to the court or before the jury, but in no case shall the court limit or restrict the time of argument of an attorney before a jury to less than one-half hour to each attorney engaged in civil cases, or one hour to each attorney engaged in criminal cases; and in no case shall there be more than four arguments in any case without permission of the court.

SEC. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 3. This act being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Iowa State Register and Iowa State Capital, newspapers published in Des Moines, Iowa.